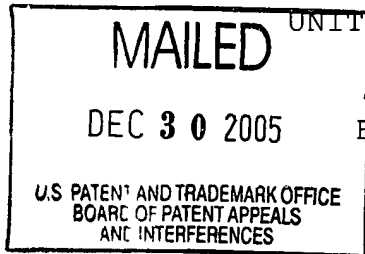


The opinion in support of the decision being entered today was not written for publication in a law journal and is not binding precedent of the Board.



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Ex parte PHILIPPE BOIRE and XAVIER TALPAERT

Appeal No. 2006-0579
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ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

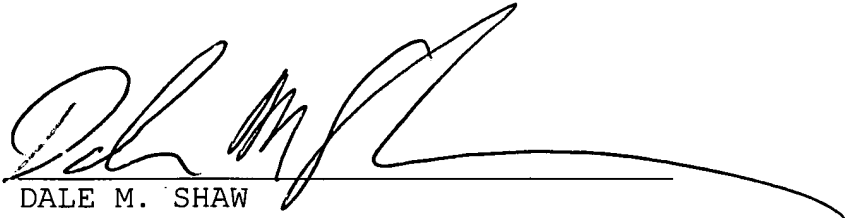
On November 23, 2005, counsel for appellant filed, among other documents, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114. Pursuant to the notice entitled "Request for Continued Examination Practice and Changes to Provisional Application Practice," 65 Fed. Reg. 50092, 50095 (Aug. 16, 2000), and the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.114(d), a request for continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114 filed after appeal has been taken, but prior to a decision on the appeal, "will be treated as a request to withdraw the appeal and to reopen prosecution of the application before the examiner."

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Accordingly, the appeal in this application is dismissed.

The application is being returned to the examiner for
further action as may be appropriate.

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